REMARKS

This is intended as a full and complete response to the Office Action dated February 23, 2005, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on May 23, 2005. Applicants respectfully request entry and consideration of the following remarks in response to the Office Action.

RESTRICTION:

Claims 1-23 are pending in the application and stand restricted under 35 U.S.C. §121. In response thereto, Applicants hereby elect claims 1-16, identified as Group I, for prosecution in the present application, with traverse.

CLAIM REJECTIONS:

Claims 1-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph. Claims 1 and 8 have been amended for clarification purposes and such amendments are supported by at least the examples of the specification. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-2, 4-9 and 11-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(a) as being anticipated by, or claims 1-16 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,114,486 (Rowland.) As discussed on May 3rd, Rowland does not teach, show or suggest polydispersity (M_w/M_n) levels of 3 to 7, as recited in the claims. Having addressed all issues set out in the Office Action, Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance and respectfully request the same.

The prior art made of record is noted. However, it is believed that the secondary reference is no more pertinent to the Applicants' disclosure than the primary reference cited in the Office Action. Therefore, it is believed that a detailed discussion of the secondary reference is not deemed necessary for a full and complete response to this Office Action. Accordingly, allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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